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                          Darko Segota and John W. Finnegan, II )  
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Serial No.:           10/600,207                           ) )  
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Filed:               June 19, 2003                           ) )  
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For:                 METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR REGULATING ) )  
                       EXTERNAL FLUID FLOW OVER AN ) )  
                       OBJET'S SURFACE, AND PARTICULARLY ) )  
                       A WING AND DIFFUSER                           ) )

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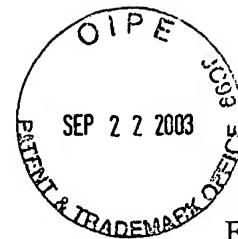
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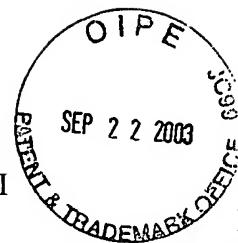
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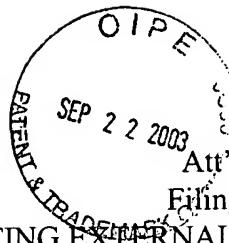
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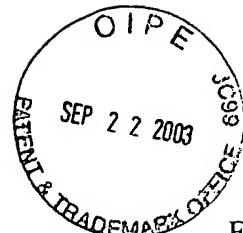
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### Prior Art Cited by Applicants

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